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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

To the Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The following comments are submitted in response to the Office Action  
dated May 18, 2004.